

More Clues to the Past

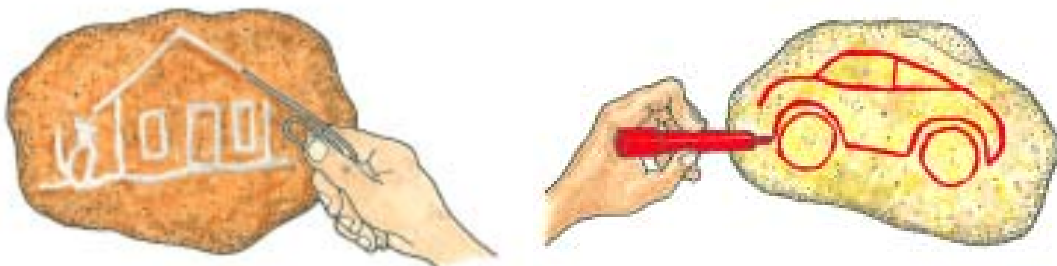
Besides objects that they made, ancient peoples also left behind rock art. They made paintings on rocks, called pictographs. And they also used tools to carve into rock, creating what we call petroglyphs. Rock art can provide archaeologists with information about how ancient peoples lived. Look at the examples below and write down what this rock art tells you about the past.





Make Your Own Rock Art

Using clay or plaster of paris, you can make your own petroglyphs. Take a slab of clay or dry plaster and use a paperclip to engrave a design. Or you can take a small flat piece of stone and use markers or crayons to make pictographs.



Remember! Never make marks on real rocks or rock art. If you ever see someone harming rock art, walk away and report him or her to the police. It's against the law to harm these clues to the past.